

**AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend the first paragraph of the specification as follows:

This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 09/127,028, filed Jul. 30, 1998, which issued Sept. 11, 2001, as U.S. Pat. No. 6,288,301, which is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. ~~of~~ 07/992,255, filed Dec. 14, 1992, which issued Mar. 23, 1999, as U.S. Pat. No. 5,885,926, which disclosures are incorporated herein by reference.